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07482419 92098583 PMID: 1757470

**Mutagenesis of the 43-kD postsynaptic protein defines domains involved in plasma membrane targeting and AChR clustering.**

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The postsynaptic membrane of the neuromuscular junction contains a myristoylated 43-kD protein (43k) that is closely associated with the cytoplasmic face of the nicotinic acetylcholine receptor (AChR)-rich plasma membrane. Previously, we described fibroblast cell lines expressing **recombinant** AChRs. Transfection of these cell lines with 43k was necessary and sufficient for reorganization of AChR into discrete 43k-rich plasma membrane domains (Phillips, W. D., C. Kopta, P. Blount, P. D. Gardner, J. H. Steinbach, and J. P. Merlie. 1991. Science (Wash. DC). 251:568-570). Here we demonstrate the utility of this expression system for the study of 43k function by site-directed **mutagenesis**. Substitution of a **termination codon** for Asp254 produced a truncated (28-kD) protein that associated poorly with the cell membrane. The conversion of Gly2 to Ala2, to preclude NH2-terminal myristoylation, reduced the frequency with which 43k formed plasma membrane domains by threefold, but did not eliminate the aggregation of AChRs at these domains. Since both NH2 and COOH-termini seemed important for association of 43k with the plasma membrane, a deletion mutant was constructed in which the codon Gln15 was fused in-frame to Ile255 to create a 19-kD protein. This mutated protein formed 43k-rich plasma membrane domains at wild-type frequency, but the domains failed to aggregate AChRs, suggesting that the central part of the 43k polypeptide may be involved in AChR aggregation. Our results suggest that membrane association and AChR interactions are separable functions of the 43k molecule.

Tags: Animal; Support, Non-U.S. Gov't; Support, U.S. Gov't, P.H.S.  
Descriptors: \*Cell Membrane--metabolism--ME; \*Muscle Proteins--metabolism--ME; \*Neuromuscular Junction--metabolism--ME; \*Receptors, Cholinergic--metabolism--ME; Cells, Cultured; Fibroblasts--metabolism--ME; Fluorescent Antibody Technique; Immunoblotting; Muscle Proteins--genetics--GE; Mutagenesis, Site-Directed; Quail; Receptor Aggregation; **Recombinant** Proteins--genetics--GE; **Recombinant** Proteins--metabolism--ME  
CAS Registry No.: 0 (Muscle Proteins); 0 (Receptors, Cholinergic); 0 (Recombinant Proteins); 0 (peripheral membrane protein 43K)  
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**The woodchuck hepatitis virus X gene is important for establishment of virus infection in woodchucks.**

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All mammalian hepadnaviruses possess a gene, termed X, that encodes a protein capable of transactivating virus gene expression. The X gene overlaps the polymerase and precore genes as well as two newly identified open reading frames (ORFs) termed ORF5 and ORF6. In this investigation, we examined whether ORF5, ORF6, and the X gene were important for the replication of woodchuck hepatitis virus (WHV) in susceptible woodchucks. First, we investigated whether proteins were produced from ORF5 and ORF6 by in vitro translation of appropriate viral transcripts, searched for antibodies against the putative proteins in the sera of animals infected with wild-type virus, and looked for an antisense WHV transcript, necessary for expression of a protein from ORF6, in the livers of acutely or chronically infected woodchucks. All such experiments yielded negative results. Next, we used oligonucleotide-directed **mutagenesis** to introduce **termination codons** into ORF5 and ORF6 at two locations within each ORF. Adult woodchucks in groups of three were transfected with one of the four mutant genomes. All of these woodchucks developed WHV infections that were indistinguishable from those of animals transfected with the wild-type WHV **recombinant**. Polymerase chain reaction amplification and direct DNA sequencing confirmed that reversion of the mutants to a wild-type genotype did not occur. Taken together, these data indicate that ORF5 and ORF6 are not essential for virus replication and are unlikely to represent authentic genes. Finally, we generated five WHV X-gene mutants that either removed the initiation codon for protein synthesis or truncated the carboxyl terminus of the protein by 3, 16, 31, or 52 amino acids. Groups of three adult woodchucks were transfected with one of the five X-gene mutants. Only the mutant that possessed an X gene lacking 3 amino acids from the carboxyl terminus was capable of replication within the 6-month time frame of the experiment. In contrast, all seven woodchucks transfected with wild-type WHV DNA developed markers consistent with viral infection. Thus, it is likely ( $P < 0.01$ ) that the WHV X gene is important for virus replication in the natural host.

Tags: Animal; Comparative Study; Support, U.S. Gov't, P.H.S.

Descriptors: \*Genes, Viral--genetics--GE; \*Hepatitis B Virus --pathogenicity--PY; \*Hepatitis, Viral, Animal--genetics--GE; \*Marmota --microbiology--MI; \*Viral Proteins--genetics--GE; Amino Acid Sequence; Animals, Newborn; Antibodies, Viral--blood--BL; Biological Markers; Genome, Viral; Hepatitis B Virus--genetics--GE; Hepatitis B Virus--growth and development--GD; Immunoassay; Liver--microbiology--MI; Molecular Sequence Data; Mutagenesis, Site-Directed; Open Reading Frames--genetics--GE; RNA Precursors--genetics--GE; RNA, Antisense--analysis--AN; Time Factors; Transcription, Genetic; Transfection; Translation, Genetic; Viral Proteins --biosynthesis--BI; Virulence

CAS Registry No.: 0 (Antibodies, Viral); 0 (Biological Markers); 0 (RNA Precursors); 0 (RNA, Antisense); 0 (Viral Proteins)

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**Efficient in vitro translation and processing of the rubella virus structural proteins in the presence of microsomes.**

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In the structural protein open reading frame (SP-ORF) of rubella virus (RUB), the sequences for the three virion proteins occur in the order NH2-C-E2-E1-COOH with hydrophobic, consensus signal sequences preceding the amino termini for each of the two membrane proteins (T. K. Frey and L. D. Marr, 1988 Gene 62, 85-100). In vitro translation in the presence of microsomes of RNA transcripts from a **plasmid** containing the SP-ORF resulted in production and accurate processing of the three structural proteins. Since in the absence of microsomes the 110-kDa precursor of these proteins is produced, this finding indicated that the cleavage events in processing of the precursor were mediated by signalase. To study the C-E2 processing event, a DNA construct was made which contained the sequences for E2 beginning at the NH2 terminus of the hydrophobic consensus signal and extending through to the NH2 terminus of E1. In vitro translation of transcripts from this construct in the presence of microsomes resulted in accurate processing of E2 confirming that the hydrophobic sequence was a signal sequence and demonstrating it could function externally as well as internally within the 110-kDa precursor. To determine if the E2 signal was maintained on C after cleavage of the precursor by signalase, the SP-ORF **plasmid** was **mutagenized** to place translation **termination codons** at either the NH2 or COOH side of the E2 signal sequence such that C protein lacking or containing the E2 signal would be produced. As expected, the C-minus-signal protein migrated more rapidly in polyacrylamide gels than did the C-plus-signal protein. C translated from the SP-ORF construct as well as authentic C from infected cells comigrated with the C-plus-signal protein, indicating that the E2 signal was not removed. In a corollary study, it was found that RUB C protein was phosphorylated in vivo, although the percentage of the protein phosphorylated was not determined.

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Descriptors: \*Microsomes; \*Protein Processing, Post-Translational; \*Rubella Virus--genetics--GE; \*Translation, Genetic--genetics--GE; \*Viral Structural Proteins--biosynthesis--BI; Antibodies, Monoclonal; Base Sequence; Dogs; Electrophoresis, Polyacrylamide Gel; Molecular Sequence Data; Mutagenesis; Open Reading Frames; Phosphorylation; **Plasmids**; Precipitin Tests; Protein Precursors--biosynthesis--BI; Protein Precursors--genetics--GE; Rubella Virus--metabolism--ME; Viral Structural Proteins--genetics--GE; Viral Structural Proteins--metabolism--ME

CAS Registry No.: 0 (Antibodies, Monoclonal); 0 (Plasmids); 0 (Protein Precursors); 0 (Viral Structural Proteins)

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05832873 87033911 PMID: 3771631

**Analysis of progressive deletions of the transmembrane and cytoplasmic domains of influenza hemagglutinin.**

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Site-directed oligonucleotide **mutagenesis** has been used to introduce chain **termination codons** into the cloned DNA sequences encoding the carboxy-terminal transmembrane (27 amino acids) and cytoplasmic (10 amino acids) domains of influenza virus hemagglutinin (HA). Four mutant genes

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were constructed which express truncated forms of HA that lack the cytoplasmic domain and terminate at amino acids 9, 14, 17, or 27 of the wild-type hydrophobic domain. Analysis of the biosynthesis and intracellular transport of these mutants shows that the cytoplasmic tail is not needed for the efficient transport of HA to the cell surface; the stop-transfer sequences are located in the hydrophobic domain; 17 hydrophobic amino acids are sufficient to anchor HA stably in the membrane; and mutant proteins with truncated hydrophobic domains show drastic alterations in transport, membrane association, and stability.

Tags: Animal; Support, Non-U.S. Gov't; Support, U.S. Gov't, P.H.S.

Descriptors: \*Hemagglutinins, Viral--genetics--GE; Amino Acid Sequence; Base Sequence; Biological Transport; Cell Line; Cell Membrane--metabolism--ME; Cercopithecus aethiops; Chromosome Deletion; Fibroblasts--ultrastructure--UL; Hemagglutinin Glycoproteins, Influenza Virus; Hemagglutinins, Viral--metabolism--ME; Influenza A Virus, Human--analysis--AN; Kidney; **Recombinant** Proteins--genetics--GE; **Recombinant** Proteins--metabolism--ME

CAS Registry No.: 0 (Hemagglutinin Glycoproteins, Influenza Virus); 0 (Hemagglutinins, Viral); 0 (Recombinant Proteins)

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08924766 96251334 PMID: 8668201

**Functional mapping of the translation-dependent instability element of yeast MATalpha mRNA.**

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Molecular and cellular biology (UNITED STATES) Jul 1996, 16 (7)  
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The determinants of mRNA stability include specific cis-acting destabilizing sequences located within mRNA coding and noncoding regions. We have developed an approach for mapping coding-region instability sequences in unstable yeast mRNAs that exploits the link between mRNA translation and turnover and the dependence of nonsense-mediated mRNA decay on the activity of the UPF1 gene product. This approach, which involves the systematic insertion of in-frame translational **termination codons** into the coding sequence of a gene of interest in a upf1delta strain, differs significantly from conventional methods for mapping cis-acting elements in that it causes minimal perturbations to overall mRNA structure. Using the previously characterized MATalpha mRNA as a model, we have accurately localized its 65-nucleotide instability element (IE) within the protein coding region. Termination of translation 5' to this element stabilized the MATalpha mRNA two- to threefold relative to wild-type transcripts. Translation through the element was sufficient to restore an unstable decay phenotype, while internal termination resulted in different extents of mRNA stabilization dependent on the precise location of ribosome stalling. Detailed **mutagenesis** of the element's rare-codon/AU-rich sequence boundary revealed that the destabilizing activity of the MATalpha IE is observed when the terminal codon of the element's rare-codon interval is translated. This region of stability transition corresponds precisely to a MATalpha IE sequence previously shown to be complementary to 18S rRNA. Deletion of three nucleotides 3' to this sequence shifted the stability boundary one codon 5' to its wild-type location. Conversely, constructs containing an additional three nucleotides at this same location shifted the transition downstream by an equivalent sequence distance. Our results suggest a model in which the triggering of MATalpha mRNA destabilization results from establishment of an interaction between translating ribosomes and a downstream sequence element. Furthermore, our data provide direct molecular evidence for a relationship between mRNA turnover and mRNA translation.

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07565576 92138613 PMID: 1735715

**Mutagenesis of ribosomal protein S8 from Escherichia coli: defects in regulation of the spc operon.**

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The structural features of *Escherichia coli* ribosomal protein S8 that are involved in translational regulation of *spc* operon expression and, therefore, in its interaction with RNA have been investigated by use of a genetic approach. The *rpsH* gene, which encodes protein S8, was first inserted into an expression vector under the control of the *lac* promoter and subsequently **mutagenized** with methoxylamine or nitrous acid. A screening procedure based on the regulatory role of S8 was used to identify mutants that were potentially defective in their ability to associate with *spc* operon mRNA and, by inference, 16S mRNA. In this way, we isolated 39 variants of the S8 gene containing alterations at 34 different sites, including 37 that led to single amino acid substitutions and 2 that generated premature **termination codons**. As the mutations were distributed throughout the polypeptide chain, our results indicate that amino acid residues important for the structural integrity of the RNA-binding domain are not localized to a single segment. Nonetheless, the majority were located within three short sequences at the N terminus, middle, and C terminus that are phylogenetically conserved among all known eubacterial and chloroplast versions of this protein. We conclude that these sites encompass the main structural determinants required for the interaction of protein S8 with RNA.

25/3,AB/15 (Item 15 from file: 155)  
DIALOG(R) File 155:MEDLINE(R)

07015224 93019053 PMID: 1328486

**Proteolytic processing of a Murray Valley encephalitis virus non-structural polyprotein segment containing the viral proteinase: accumulation of a NS3-4A precursor which requires mature NS3 for efficient processing.**

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The proteolytic processing of a non-structural polyprotein segment from the cytoplasmic domain of NS2A to the C terminus of NS5 of Murray Valley encephalitis (MVE) virus was examined, when expressed from cDNA via a vaccinia virus **recombinant**, in transiently transfected COS cells, or synthesized by cell-free translation. Cleavages mediated by the virus-encoded proteinase domain in NS3 at the junctions of NS2A-2B, NS2B-3 and NS4B-5 were catalysed efficiently. However, the cleavage at the NS3-4A junction, also mediated by the NS3 proteinase, was greatly delayed. Little or no NS3 was found, but an 85K precursor molecule accumulated; this was identified as NS3-4A. **Termination codons** were introduced by site-directed **mutagenesis** at the junctions of the NS3-4A, NS4A-4B and NS4B-5 genes to generate C-terminal truncations of the MVE virus polyprotein segment. In expression studies of these constructs the predicted NS3-mediated proteolytic cleavages were catalysed, except for that at the NS3-4A junction. In co-infections and co-transfections with constructs encoding the MVE virus nonstructural polyprotein region truncated at the C termini of NS3 or NS4A, efficient processing at the NS3-4A site was induced. Thus it appears that the MVE virus polyprotein is cleaved inefficiently in cis at the NS3-4A junction, whereas the site is processed efficiently in trans by mature NS3. The NS3-4A precursor is also seen in flavivirus-infected cells. Its function remains to be determined, but it could play a role in the replication of flavivirus, in view of the importance of polyprotein processing in the regulation of gene expression of positive-stranded RNA viruses, the modulation of processing at the NS3-4A site by NS3 or NS3-containing precursors described in the present

study and the importance of NS3 as an integral part of the viral polymerase complex.

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06995914 92051377 PMID: 1719482

**Rapid mapping by transposon mutagenesis of epitopes on the muscular dystrophy protein, dystrophin.**

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ISSN 0305-1048 Journal Code: O8L

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Antibody-binding epitopes in the central helical region of the muscular dystrophy protein, dystrophin, have been mapped using a new strategy of transposon **mutagenesis**. Tn1000 transposons carrying translation **termination codons** were introduced randomly by bacterial mating into a large fragment of dystrophin cDNA in a pEX2 **plasmid** to produce a library of transformants expressing truncated dystrophin fusion proteins. Epitopes were progressively lost as the expressed sequences were shortened, enabling the epitopes recognised by 22 monoclonal antibodies to be placed in order along the dystrophin molecule without in vitro manipulation of DNA. The C-terminus of each truncated fusion protein was precisely located within the dystrophin sequence by direct sequencing of pEX2 transformants using transposon-specific primers. Sequences as short as 7 and 17 amino-acids have been identified as essential for antibody binding in this way. Nineteen of the 22 monoclonal antibodies had been selected for their ability to bind both native and SDS-denatured dystrophin and 15 of these bind to one sequence of 74 amino-acids (residues 1431-1505 of the 3684 residue sequence). This may be an area of high immunogenicity or of close structural similarity between native dystrophin and the SDS-treated **recombinant** fragment used for immunization.

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06986006 90316123 PMID: 2142454

**Cleavage-site preferences of Sindbis virus polyproteins containing the non-structural proteinase. Evidence for temporal regulation of polyprotein processing in vivo.**

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EMBO journal (ENGLAND) Aug 1990, 9 (8) p2631-8, ISSN 0261-4189  
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The non-structural proteins of Sindbis virus, nsP1, 2, 3 and 4, are produced upon cleavage of polyproteins P123 and P1234 by a proteinase residing in nsP2. We used cell free translation of SP6 transcripts to study the proteolytic activity of nsP2 and of nsP2-containing polyproteins. To generate polyprotein enzymes, a set of **plasmids** was made in which cleavage sites were eliminated and new initiation and **termination codons** introduced by in vitro **mutagenesis**. As a substrate, we used a polyprotein in which the nsP2 proteinase had been inactivated by a single amino acid substitution. All nsP2-containing polyproteins cleaved the



nsP1/2 site in trans. However, proteinases containing nsP1 were unable to cleave the nsP2/3 site. Furthermore, only proteinases containing nsP3 could cleave the nsP3/4 site. These differences in cleavage site specificity result in a temporal regulation of processing in vivo. At 1.7 h post infection P123 and nsP4 accumulated and only small amounts of P34 were found. However, at 4 h post infection P123 was processed rapidly and P34 was produced rather than nsP4. Since nsP4 is thought to be the viral RNA polymerase, the temporal regulation of the nsP4/P34 ratio may be responsible for the temporal regulation of RNA synthesis.

25/3,AB/18 (Item 18 from file: 155)  
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**Programmed ribosomal frameshifting generates the Escherichia coli DNA polymerase III gamma subunit from within the tau subunit reading frame.**

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The Escherichia coli dnaX gene encodes both the tau and gamma subunits of DNA polymerase III holoenzyme in one reading frame. The 71.1 kDa tau and the shorter gamma share N-terminal sequences. **Mutagenesis** of a potential ribosomal frameshift signal located at codons 428-430 without changing the amino acid sequence of the tau product, eliminated detectable synthesis of the gamma subunit, suggesting that the reading frame is shifted at that sequence and gamma is terminated by a nonsense codon located in the -1 frame 3 nucleotides downstream of the signal. This seems to be the first known case of a frameshift which is used, along with the **termination codon** in the -1 frame, to terminate a peptide within a reading frame. [ **Mutagenesis** of a dibasic peptide (lys-lys) at codons 498-499, the site at which a tau'-LacZ fusion protein was cleaved in vitro (1) had no effect on gamma formation in vivo, suggesting that cleavage observed in vitro is not the mechanism of gamma formation in vivo.  
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## ABSTRACT

This invention discloses compositions of DNA and proteins that are useful for preparing **vaccines** against human **respiratory syncytial virus** [HRSV]. The DNA compositions include structural genes coding for native structural viral proteins and **immunogenic** fragments of these proteins. Host cells transformed with the above DNA compositions are also disclosed. **Vaccines** made from the native structural viral proteins or **immunogenic** fragments are also disclosed as well as methods for protecting humans by inoculation with these **vaccines** .  
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**Cold-passaged, temperature-sensitive mutants of human respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) are highly attenuated, immunogenic, and protective in seronegative chimpanzees, even when RSV antibodies are infused shortly before immunization.**

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**An update on approaches to the development of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) and parainfluenza virus type 3 (PIV3) vaccines.**

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**ABSTRACT:** RSV and PIV3 are responsible for about 30% of severe viral respiratory tract disease leading to hospitalization of infants and children. For this reason, there is a need to develop **vaccines** effective against these viruses. Since these viruses cause severe disease in early infancy, **vaccines** must be effective in the presence of **maternal antibody**. Currently, several strategies for immunization against these viruses are being explored including peptide **vaccines**, subunit **vaccines**, vectored **vaccines** (e.g., vaccinia-RSV or adenovirus-RSV **recombinants**), and live **attenuated virus vaccines**. The current status of these approaches is reviewed. In addition, the immunologic basis for the disease potentiation seen in vaccinees immunized with formalin-inactivated RSV during subsequent RSV infection is reviewed. The efficacy of immunization in the presence of **maternal antibody** is discussed. Much progress for a RSV and PIV3 **vaccine** has been made and successful immunization against each of these pathogens should be achieved within this decade.

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## English Abstract

Compositions of DNA and protein that are useful for preparing **vaccines** against human **respiratory syncytial virus** (HRSV). The proteins include the native structural viral proteins and **immunogenic** fragments thereof. The DNA compositions include structural genes coding for these proteins and expression and replication plasmids containing the structural genes. Host cells transformed with the above DNA compositions are also disclosed herein. Lastly **vaccines** comprised of the native structural viral proteins and their **immunogenic** derivatives are disclosed as well as methods for protecting humans by inoculation with said **vaccines**.

## Japanese Abstract

Compositions d'ADN et de proteines permettant de preparer des vaccins contre le virus humain respiratoire syncytial (HRSV). Les proteines comprennent des proteines virales structurales originales et des fragments immunogenes de celles-ci. Les compositions d'ADN comprennent des genes structuraux codant lesdites proteines et des plasmides d'expression et de replication contenant les genes structuraux. Sont egalement decrites des cellules hotes transformees avec lesdites compositions d'ADN. Sont egalement decrits des vaccins comprenant les proteines virales structurales originales et leurs derives immunogenes ainsi que des procedes de protection des etres humains par inoculation desdits vaccins.

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**Acquisition of the ts phenotype by a chemically mutagenized cold-passaged human respiratory syncytial virus vaccine candidate results from the acquisition of a single mutation in the polymerase (L) gene.**

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**ABSTRACT:** A cold-passaged (cp) temperature-sensitive (ts) mutant of human **respiratory syncytial virus** designated **RSV** cpts-248 was previously derived by random chemical mutagenesis of the non-ts mutant cp-**RSV** that possesses one or more host range mutations. We previously demonstrated in rodents and seronegative chimpanzees that the cpts-248 virus is more **attenuated** than cp-**RSV** and is more stable genetically than previously isolated **RSV** ts mutants. In the present study, we determined that the acquisition of the ts phenotype and the increased attenuation of the cpts-248 virus are associated with a single nucleotide substitution at nucleotide 10,989 that results in a change in the coding region (amino acid position 831) of the polymerase gene. The identification of this attenuating ts mutation is important because cpts-248 was used as the parent virus for the generation of a number of further **attenuated** mutants that are currently being evaluated as candidate **vaccine** strains in clinical trials in infants. Furthermore, technology now exists to rationally design new **vaccine** candidates by incorporating multiple attenuating mutations, such as the one identified here, into infectious viruses that are genetically stable and appropriately **attenuated**.

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**Nucleotide sequence analysis of the respiratory syncytial virus subgroup A cold-passaged (cp) temperature sensitive (ts) cpts-248/404 live attenuated virus vaccine candidate.**

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**ABSTRACT:** The complete nucleotide sequence of the **RSV** cpts-248/404 live **attenuated vaccine** candidate was determined from cloned cDNA and was compared to that of the **RSV** A2/HEK7 wild-type, cold-passaged cp-**RSV**, and cpts-248 virus, which constitute the series of progenitor viruses.



**RSV** cpts-248/404 is more **attenuated** and more temperature sensitive (ts) (shutoff temperature 36 degree ) than its cpts-248 parent virus (shut-off temperature 38 degree ) and is currently being evaluated in phase I clinical trials in humans. Our ultimate goal is to identify the genetic basis for the host range attenuation phenotype exhibited by cp-**RSV** (i.e., efficient replication in tissue culture but decreased replication in chimpanzees and-humans) and for the ts and attenuation phenotypes of its chemically mutagenized derivatives, cpts-248 and cpts-248/404. Compared with its cpts-248 parent, the cpts-248/404 virus possesses an amino acid change in the polymerase (L) protein and a single nucleotide substitution in the M2 gene start sequence. In total, the cpts-248/404 mutant differs from its wild-type **RSV** A2/HEK7 progenitor in seven amino acids (four in the polymerase (L) protein, two in the fusion (F) glycoprotein, and one in the (N) nucleoprotein) and one nucleotide difference in the M2 gene start sequence. Heterogeneity at nucleotide position 4 (G or C, negative sense, compared to G in the **RSV** A2/HEK7 progenitor) in the leader region of vRNA developed during passage of the cpts-248/404 in tissue culture. Biologically cloned derivatives of **RSV** cpts-248/404 virus that differed at position 4 possessed the same level of temperature sensitivity and exhibited the same level of replication in the upper and lower respiratory tract of mice, suggesting that heterogeneity at this position is not clinically relevant. The determination of the nucleotide sequence of the cpts-248/404 virus will allow evaluation of the stability of the eight mutations that are associated with the attenuation phenotype during **vaccine** production and following replication in humans.

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**Live subgroup B respiratory syncytial virus vaccines that are attenuated, genetically stable, and immunogenic in rodents and nonhuman primates.**

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**ABSTRACT:** Optimal immunization of neonates against disease caused by **respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)** probably will require multiple doses of a **vaccine** containing viruses of both subgroups A and B. Live subgroup B **RSV** mutants were generated containing multiple attenuating mutations, ts (temperature-sensitive) and non-ts (host range), that were introduced by prolonged passage in cell culture or by chemical mutagenesis. The cold-passaged (cp)-52 mutant was restricted in replication compared to wild type virus in rodents and nonhuman primates. In addition, the attenuation phenotype of cp-52 was stable after prolonged replication in immunosuppressed rodents. One or two ts mutations were then introduced into the cp-52 mutant to generate additional candidate **vaccine** strains that were more **attenuated** in vivo than the cp-52 parental virus. Tests in humans are being done to determine if one or more of the **RSV** B-1 mutants exhibit a satisfactory

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balance between attenuation and immunogenicity.

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**Production of infectious human respiratory syncytial virus from cloned cDNA confirms an essential role for the transcription elongation factor from the 5' proximal open reading frame of the M2 mRNA in gene expression and provides a capability for vaccine development.**

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**ABSTRACT:** Infectious human **respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)** was produced by the intracellular coexpression of five plasmid-borne cDNAs. One cDNA encoded a complete positive-sense version of the **RSV** genome (corresponding to the replicative intermediate RNA or antigenome), and each of the other four encoded a separate **RSV** protein, namely, the major nucleocapsid N protein, the nucleocapsid P phosphoprotein, the major polymerase L protein, or the protein from the 5' proximal open reading frame of the M2 mRNA (M2(ORF1)). **RSV** was not produced if any of the five plasmids was omitted. The requirement for the M2(ORF1) protein is consistent with its recent identification as a transcription elongation factor and confirms its importance for **RSV** gene expression. It should thus be possible to introduce defined changes into infectious **RSV**. This should be useful for basic studies of **RSV** molecular biology and pathogenesis; in addition, there are immediate applications to the development of live **attenuated vaccine** strains bearing predetermined defined attenuating mutations.

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**A cold-passaged attenuated strain of human respiratory syncytial virus contains mutations in the F and L genes.**

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**ABSTRACT:** In previous studies, a mutant (cp-**RSV**) of the **RSV** A2 strain derived from 52 serial cold passages in bovine embryonic tissue culture was highly **attenuated** in seropositive adults and children but caused upper respiratory tract disease in seronegative infants. We investigated the genetic basis for this attenuation phenotype by comparing the complete genomic RNA sequence of this virus with the published sequence of strain A2 as well as with that of its unattenuated wild-type parent (HEK-7) virus. RNA was extracted from virions grown in tissue culture, reverse transcribed, amplified by the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), cloned, and sequenced. Changes from the published A2 wild-type sequence were confirmed on independently derived cDNA clones and by direct sequencing of PCR fragments. The HEK-7 parent virus was then analyzed at these positions by direct sequencing of PCR fragments. Fifteen nucleotide differences between the published A2 wild-type virus and cp-**RSV** were found. None appeared to involve cis-acting RNA sequences. Of the 15 nucleotide differences, only 1 occurred outside a translational open reading frame (ORF), and 2 which did occur within ORFs were silent at the amino acid level. The remaining 12 nucleotide differences encoded amino acid changes. All 3 of the mutations which were silent at the amino acid level, and 8 of the 12 which resulted in amino acid differences, were also present in the HEK-7 parent virus and therefore were not changes acquired during the cold passages. Thus, the remaining 4 nucleotide differences and the attendant 4 amino acid changes are associated with the attenuation phenotype of the cp-**RSV**. Two of the changes occur in the F gene and two in the L gene. These results confirm the previously described **RSV** genomic sequence, provide the first sequence of a live **attenuated RSV vaccine** strain, provide the first sequence of an **RSV** strain which has been evaluated in chimpanzees and humans, and indicate that attenuation in humans of a pneumovirus can be associated with a relatively small number of nucleotide and amino acid changes.

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**Isolation and characterization of a highly attenuated respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine candidate by mutagenesis of the incompletely attenuated RSV A2 ts-1 NG-1 mutant virus.**

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